

Monterey County Community Action Commission
Department of Social Services
1000 South Main Street, Suite 112 Salinas, CA 93901
Meeting Minutes from December 19, 2016 4:00-5:30 p.m.

I. **Call to Order:** Meeting called to order by Chair Sivils, 4:15 pm

II. **Welcome and Introductions:**

Commissioners:

District 1 – Vacant

Maria Theresa Rodriguez – Present
Roberto Garcia – Present

District 4 – Nicole Williams – Present

LeVonne Stone – Present
Jim Kramer – Present

District 2 – Ronald Holder – Present

Cecilia Correa – Absent
Everett Sivils – Present

District 5 – Fernando Elizondo – Present

Linda Coyne – Present
Angel Rivera – Present

District 3 – Ana Vargas – Present

Vacant
Emma Bojorquez – Present

Staff: Margarita Zarraga, Glorietta Rowland, Lauren Miller, Arlene Boyd, Liz Hutton

Guests: Bertha Alfaro, Elliott Robinson, Thelma McIntosh, Pastor Stone, Ms. Velazquez

- III. 2018-2019 Community Action Plan/Needs Assessment- Update was provided to the Commission and a review of upcoming events that will generate data to base funding decisions in 2018 and 2019. Margarita reviewed the purpose of the Public Forum and the need to document directly from the public and the service providers the needs of the community.
- IV. Community Action Partnership Strategic Planning Development Update- Lauren Miller provided an update of the Community Action Strategic Plan. Valuable information resulted of the session in which the commission and staff participated last year. She requested commissioners to bring up ideas for future activities next year.
- V. Lauren Miller stated that the purpose of the holiday meeting was to take time to share a meal but also to reflect on what the ccommission wants to focus on the coming year. Discussion and brainstorming ensued about the following topics:
- It was shared that the CAP should do “better branding of ourselves”, with logos etc,
 - Training education for commissioners
 - More communication with the Board of Supervisors
 - Would like more information on how the new administration will affect DSS; Margarita shared that the state is holding webinars with any changes.
 - Would like to find vendors that can answer questions on Military Vets and homeless
 - Develop senior programs to include visiting seniors in our community. Margarita shared we could have someone who is knowledgeable in Senior Advocacy to possibly make presentation at CAC meeting.
 - Suggested a contractor End of the Year report. Lauren will look into possibly making this a report. Easy to read and not too cumbersome, similar to an EOY summary.

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VI. Adjourn: Meeting adjourned by Chair Sivils, 6:00 pm Next meeting: January 23, 2017.

Respectfully submitted,

Arlene Boyd